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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 15, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of February 15, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.